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To Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the period for response to the Office Action dated May 11, 2204 be extended three months, to November 11, 2004. The fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R.§1.17(a)(3) is \$980.00.

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